

the decay and death of nations? Those who have investigated this subject most thoroughly are united in declaring that this result is due to the fact that whereas other nations have depended upon physical force, the Chinese have depended upon moral forces. No student of history, no observant traveller who knows human nature, can fail to be impressed to the point of deep awe, with the thought of the marvellous restraining power which Chinese morality has exerted upon the race from the earliest times until now. "It would be hard to overestimate," says Dr. Williams, "the influence of Confucius in his ideal princely scholar, and the power for good over his race which this conception has ever since exerted." "The immeasurable influence in after-ages of the character thus portrayed, proves how lofty was his own standard, and the national conscience has ever since assented to the justice of the portrait." "The teaching of Confucianism on human duty," says Dr. Legge, "is wonderful and admirable. It is not perfect indeed. But on the last three of the four things which Confucius delighted to teach—letters, ethics, devotion to soul, and truthfulness—his utterances are in harmony both with the Law and the Gospel. A world ordered by them would be a beautiful world." The entire freedom of the Chinese classical works from anything which could debase the mind of the readers, is a most important characteristic, which has been often pointed out, and which is in the greatest possible contrast to the literatures of India, Greece, and Rome. "No people," says Mr. Meadows, "whether of ancient or modern times, has possessed a sacred literature so completely exempt from the influence of the licentious passions, and from every offensive expression. There is not a single sentence in the whole of the Sacred Books and their annotations that may not be read aloud in any family circle in England. Again, in every other non-Christian country, idolatry has been associated with human sacrifices and with the dedication of vice, accompanied by licentious rites and orgies. Not a sign of all this exists in China." The direct personal responsibility of the emperor to Heaven for the quality of his rule; the exaltation of the people as of more importance than the ruler; the doctrine that the virtuous and able (*Shen*) should be the rulers, and that their rule must be based upon virtue; the comprehensive theory of the five relations of men to each other; these points have stood out like mountain peaks from the general level of Chinese thought and have attracted the attention of all observers. In closing what we have to say of the Chinese, we wish to place emphasis upon the moral excellencies of the Confucian system, for it is only by putting those excellencies in their true light that we can hope to arrive at any just comprehension of the Chinese people. These excellencies have made the Chinese pre-eminently amenable to moral forces. The employment of the classical writings in the civil service examinations for successive ages has unified the minds of the people to a marvellous degree, and the powerful motives thus brought into play, leading every candidate for a degree to hope for the stability of the government as a pre-requisite to his own success, has doubtless been a principal factor in the perpetuation of the Chinese people to this present time.

The Confucian Classics of the chart by which the rulers of China have endeavoured to navigate the ship of state. It is the best chart ever constructed by man, and perhaps it is not too much to say, with Dr. Williams, Dr. Legge, and others, that its authors may have had in some sense a divine guidance. With what success the Chinese have navigated their craft, and into what waters they have sailed, in what direction they are at present steering, these are questions of capital importance, now that China is coming into intimate relations with other states, and seems likely in the future to exert an influence increasingly great.

It has been said that "there are six indications of the moral life of a community, either of which is significant; when they all agree in their testimony, they afford an infallible test of its true character. These are (1) the condition of industry; (2) the social habits; (3) the position of woman and the character of the family; (4) the organisation of government, and the character of the rulers; (5) the state of public education; (6) the practical bearing of religious worship on actual life."

In the discussion of the various characteristics of the Chinese which have attracted our notice, each of the foregoing points has been incidentally illustrated, albeit incompletely, and without that observance of proportion necessary in a full treatment of these topics. In a survey of the Chinese character the field of view is so extensive that many subjects must be passed by altogether. The characteristics which have been selected are intended merely as points through which lines may be drawn, to aid in outlining the whole. Every reader will be able to suggest many additional "characteristics" which ought to be included in a full presentation of the Chinese as they are. Mr. Meadows, the most philosophical of the many writers on China and the Chinese, expressed the opinion that the best way to convey to the mind of another person a correct idea of the genius of a foreign people, would be to hand him for perusal a collection of notes, formed by carefully recording great numbers of incidents which had attracted one's attention, particularly those that seemed at all extraordinary, together with the explanation of the extraordinary parts, as given by natives of the country. The greater part of the illustrative incidents which have been herebefore cited in exemplification of various "characteristics" of the Chinese, have been mentioned because they appeared upon examination to be typical. They are like bones of a skeleton which must be fitted into their place before the whole structure can be seen. It will not do to ignore them, unless perhaps it can be shown that they are not bones at all, but merely plaster-of-Paris imitations. It may indeed be objected that the true place of each separate bone has been mistaken, and that others which are important modifiers of the total result have not been added to their proper places. This criticism, which is a perfectly just one, we not only admit but expressly affirm, declaring that it is not possible to gain a complete idea of the Chinese from selected "characteristics," any more than it is possible to gain a correct idea of a human countenance from descriptive essays on its eyes, its nose, or its chin. But at the same time, we must again remind the reader that the judgments expressed have not been based upon a theory, that they are based upon a mass of observations far in excess of what has been referred to, and that in many cases the opinions might have been made infinitely stronger, and still have been fully warranted by the facts. These facts are as patent to one who comes within their range as a North China dust-storm which fills the eyes, the ears, the nostrils, the hair and the clothing with an almost palpable powder, often surcharging the atmosphere with electricity, and sometimes rendering lamps necessary at noon-day. One may be very wrong in his theory of the cause of this phenomenon, but altogether right in his description of it. But there is this important difference between the observation of physical and of moral phenomena; the former force themselves on the attention of every human being, while the latter are perceived only by those whose opportunities are favourable, and whose faculties are directed toward the things that are to be seen. A Roman Catholic little girl, was telling some of her Protestant school-mates the details of one of the "miracles" of the

Middle Ages, and was met by the somewhat unsympathetic response, "Why, I don't believe that." Her reply had a significance for those who have been confronted with disagreeable moral phenomena which others, from their superior stand-point, dispute. "Well, I would not believe it if I were you, but I have got to!" The truth is that the phenomena of Chinese life are of a contradictory character, and whoever looks upon one face of the shield, ignoring the other, will infallibly judge erroneously, and yet will never come to a recognition of the fact that he is wrong. The union of two apparently irreconcilable views in one conception is not an easy task but it is often a very necessary one, and nowhere is it more necessary than in China, where it is so difficult to see even one side completely, not to speak of both. In illustration of this proposition, let us for a moment revert to the subject of Confucianism, judged by the crucial test of its results. Intellectually it has been the vital principle of the Chinese people, without which they would not have been the Chinese. "The great 'Tai T'ung,'" remarks Dr. Williamson, "the founder of the Tang dynasty, said that the precepts of the sages were for the Chinese what the water is for the fishes." Confucianism has unified the language, the thought, and the race. It has developed a nation of keen intellectual ability, able as we have already remarked to hold their own with any other race now on the planet. We are constantly surprised and delighted by the rapidity, accuracy and apparent ease with which some Chinese seem to assimilate knowledge, even when cast in foreign moulds. They have that genius which is an infant's capacity for labour, and those staying qualities which enable them to win every race. Their education is narrow and inadequate. But still it is education, and enables them to use their minds, the true end of education. The mind of an educated Chinese resembles a steam-engine on railways; it is fitted to its particular track and to no other; the moment it leaves this track it is 'ditched' and helpless. But as long as it remains upon that track it moves with an ease and a power which is truly wonderful. Nor is this intellectual force confined to those who are educated. As the writer just quoted has truly remarked, it is very common to meet with able men among the coolies. The minds of women in China have been totally neglected for countless ages, the insignificant exceptions only serving to illustrate the dense darkness which has prevailed, thick darkness that might be felt. Yet many of the ordinary Chinese women have well-balanced and practical minds, and it is a very common phenomenon to find women virtually at the head of the entire establishment, dominating their husbands by sheer superiority of mental ability. The literary examinations in China offer one of the most remarkable phenomena in the intellectual history of mankind, and they are still sometimes cited by western statisticians and writers as indicating the general lines along which civil-service reform ought to proceed among Occidentals. In no country is learning more respected than in China.—*N. C. Daily News.*

(To be continued.)

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Today's Advertisements.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"SACHSEN".

Captain K. V. Gassel, will leave for the above place, TO-MORROW, the 1st November, at NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1889.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND

NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

THE Company's Steamship.

"GENERAL WERDER".

Captain M. Eichel, will leave for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 1st November, at NOON.

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Hongkong, 31st October, 1889.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "SACHSEN".

FROM BREMEN AND PORTS OF CALL.

THE above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be landed here in Hongkong, unless notice to the contrary be given before 2 P.M. TO-DAY, the 31st inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th November, will be subject to sale.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 6th November, at 4 P.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 7th November, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1889.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "ABYSSINIA".

FROM VANCOUVER AND YOKOHAMA.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1889.

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Hongkong, 21st October, 1889.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1888.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby requested to send in to this Office a List of their Contributions of Premium for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of Profit for that year to be paid as Bonus to Contributors may be arranged. Returns not sent in before the 30th instant, will be made up by the Company, and no subsequent claims or alterations will be allowed.

By Order of the Directors,
GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1889.

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ZETLAND LODGE.

No. 525.

A NEMERGENCY MEETING of the above

LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, TO-MORROW, the 1st

November, at 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 30th October, 1889.

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Consignees.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship

"CAELIC".

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

CHAS. D. HARMAN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 29th October, 1889.

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Intimations.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that a SUB-MARINE MINE-FIELD for experimental purposes will be laid on the South side of Stone Cutters' Island from November 1st January.

The field will extend between 600 and 700 yards in a North and South direction from the south shore of the Island, and in an East and West direction about 700 yards.

The Southern boundary will be marked by two red and white buoys with a beacon on each, painted red and white, 3 feet above the buoy.

All ships, junks and other vessels are cautioned to keep to Southward of these boundary buoys.

R. MURRAY RUMSEY,
Rear Comd'r,
Harbour Master, &c.

Harbour Department.

Hongkong, 26th October, 1889.

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HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE KWON KWAN YEEN CUPS.

THE Second Stage of the Third Competition will be shot off next SATURDAY, the 2nd November, at 2.15 P.M., commencing at 900 yards. Entries for this Stage close on FRIDAY NEXT, the 1st November, at 5 P.M. Entrance Fee 30 cents.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 29th October, 1889.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NEW SEASON'S

Christmas Cards.

OUR FIRST SHIPMENTS HAVE ARRIVED.

EARLY INSPECTION IS INVITED, AS

FURTHER SUPPLIES WILL BE DELAYED

BY THE STRIKES IN LONDON.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1889.

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Intimations.

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Hongkong, 21st October, 1889.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on account of

1889 at the Rate of Seventy Cents per

Ten Dollar Share (or 7% on the Capital of the

Company) will be payable at the Hongkong

and Shanghai Bank on and after the 5th proximo, on Warrants to be obtained of the Undersigned.

The REGISTER OF SHARES will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 1st proximo, till TUESDAY, the 5th proximo, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order,

T. H. TALBOT,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1889.

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HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1888.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last in order that the distribution of the Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 30th day of November next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1889.

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THE HONGKONG MARINA, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the

STATUTORY MEETING of SHARE-

HOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the

Company, No. 2, D'Aguiar Street, on SATUR-

DAY, the 2nd proximo, at NOON.

By Order of the Directors,
J. A. BARRETTO,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 24th October, 1889.

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WANTED.

ACCOMMODATION as GODOWNS,

Ground Floor and First Floor in Queen's

Road Central, near the CLOCK TOWER.

Apply to
Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, 3rd October, 1889.

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WINE AND SPIRITS of the best quality,

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LAWN.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1889.

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MERCANTILE MARINE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION.

UNTIL the NEW PREMISES are ready the

above named Institution will be carried on

at Nos. 2, 4, and 6, High Street, above the

Government Civil Hospital.

Good Accommodation for M. M. Officers.
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Above Address.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1889.

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL \$5,000,000.

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Full particulars can be obtained at the Company's Offices, No. 5, Queen's Road Central.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Victoria Buildings,
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1889.

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Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A DIVIDEND of \$2 per Share has this day

been declared, being further interest on

capital to 31st December, 1888, at the rate of 4 per cent, per annum (making the total interest on capital for 1888, 14 %).

Warrants may be had on application at the above Office on and after TUESDAY, the 29th instant.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
Canton Insurance Office, Limited.

Hongkong, 28th October, 1889.

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GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

OPIMUM AND OTHER FARMS FOR THE YEAR 1890.

TENDERS will be received at the GOVERNMENT SECRETARY'S Office, Sandakan, up to the 15th November, 1889, for one or all of the following Farms for the term of 6 months ending 30th June, or 12 months ending 31st December, 1890.

1.—The Opium Farm.
2.—The Spirit Farm.
3.—The Tobacco Farm.
4.—The Pawning Farm.
5.—The Gambling Restriction Farm.
6.—Import and Export Duties Farm (including the Spirit and Tobacco Farms) in respect of one or all of the following Districts.

(a) The East Coast District from Inarutang Point to Sibuko Bay including Sandakan, Sillam, Darvel Bay, the Kinabatangan, Segama, Sugut, Labuk, and all rivers within this boundary.

(b) Alcock Province, including Kudat, Marudu Bay, and the Island of Banguey.

(c) Keppel Province, including Gaya and all the rivers from Sampinmangio Point to Bongawan River.

(d) Dent Province including the Padas, Klias, and all rivers from Kimanis Bay to Sapitong Point in Borneo Bay.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

Each Tender should specify in full the names, residences, and occupations of the persons tendering, and particulars as to the proposed sureties.

Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—184 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$110 per share, buyers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$72 per share, sellers.
 North China Insurance—11s. 330 per share, buyers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—135 per share, sellers.
 Vanetie Insurance Association—11s. 100 per share, sellers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—11s. 150 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$328 per share, sellers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$84 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—60 per cent. premium, sales and sellers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$41 per share, sellers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—102 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$210 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$501.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—15 per cent. dis., buyers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—267 per share, sellers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$227 per share, sellers.
 Luen Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$674 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$111 per share, buyers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$14 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$23 per share, sellers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884—B—24 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884—C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884—E—11 per cent. premium.

Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$105 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.—\$23 per share, sellers.
 Punjoni and Sanghie Dua Samantan Mining Co.—\$24 per share, sales and buyers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$97 per share, ex. New Issue, sellers.
 Tongkoo Coal Mining Co.—\$100 per share, buyers.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—210 per cent. prem., sellers.

The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—\$61 per share, sellers.
 The Sengco Koyah Planting Co., Ltd.—\$61 per share, buyers.
 Cruickshank & Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, nom.

The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—par, nominal.
 The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.—\$52 per share, buyers.

The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Ltd.—\$48 per share, sellers.
 The Green Island Cement Co. (Old Issue)—\$45 per share, buyers.
 The Green Island Cement Co. (New Issue)—\$61 per share, buyers.

The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$114 per share, buyers.
 The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Ltd.—\$4 per share, buyers.
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$30 per share, buyers.

The West Point Buildings Co., Ltd.—\$49 per share, sellers.
 The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$24 per share, sellers.
 The Labuk Planting Co., Ltd.—\$17 per share, buyers.

The Jebeu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$48 per share, sellers.
 The Selama Tin Mining Co., Ltd.—\$48 per share, nominal.
 The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$20 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Marine, Limited—25 per cent. premium, buyers.
EXCHANGE.
 ON LONDON—Bank, T. T. 111 1/2
 Bank Bills, on demand 111 1/2
 Bank Bills, at 30 days sight 111 1/2
 Bank Bills, at 4 months sight 111 1/2
 Credits at 4 months sight 111 1/2
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight 111 1/2

ON PARIS—Bank, T. T. 111 1/2
 Bank Bills, on demand 111 1/2
 Credits, at month's sight 111 1/2
 ON INDIA, T. T. 111 1/2
 On Demand 111 1/2
 ON SHANGHAI—Bank, T. T. 111 1/2
 Private, to have sight 111 1/2

OPUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.
 NEW MALWA, per picul 570
 (Allowance, Tael 33)
 OLD MALWA, per picul 580 to 600
 (Allowance, Tael 33)
 NEW PATNA, (without choice) per chest 547 1/2
 NEW PATNA, (first choice) per chest 550
 NEW PATNA, (second choice) per chest 550
 NEW PATNA, (third choice) per chest 550
 OLD PATNA, (without choice) per chest 552 1/2
 OLD PATNA, (first choice) per chest 555
 OLD PATNA, (second choice) per chest 555

OLD PATNA, touch (second choice) per chest 550
 OLD PATNA, (bottom) per chest 545
 NEW BENGAL, (without choice) per chest 552 1/2
 NEW BENGAL, (bottom) per chest 552 1/2
 NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul 550
 OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul 550
 OLD PERSIAN (second quality) per picul 545

MAILS EXPECTED.
THE FRENCH MAIL.
 The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer Congo, with the next French mail, left Singapore at 6 a.m. on the 31st instant, and may be expected here on or about the 6th proximo.

THE INDIAN MAIL.
 The steamer Moray, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 28th instant at 5 p.m., and is due here on the 3rd proximo.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.
 The D. D. R. steamer Cassandra left Ferrol (Spain) on the 10th instant for China.
 The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s extra steamer Gwalior, left Bombay for this port on the 17th instant, and is expected here on the 4th proximo.
 The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's S. N. Co.'s steamer Melampus, from Bombay, left Singapore for this port on the 28th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 4th proximo.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer Patroclus, from Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of the 29th instant, and is due here on the 4th proximo.
 The Ben Line steamer Benledi, left Singapore for this port on the 31st instant, and is due here on the 6th proximo.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.
 FREJER, Danish steamer, 397, C. A. Lund, 30th Oct., Pakhoi 27th October, and Holbow 29th, General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
 SARPIND, British steamer, 1,591, Ba. via, 30th Oct., Nagasaki 26th Oct., Coal.—Butterfield & Swire.
 ABBYSSINIA, British steamer, 2,416, Lee, 30th Oct., Vancouver, and Yokohama 25th Oct., General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 HAINSON, British steamer, 1,122, Harris, 31st Oct., Foochow 27th Oct., Amoy 28th, and Swatow 30th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.
 JOHANN, German steamer, 428, H. Binge, 31st Oct., Pakhoi and Holbow, 29th October, General.—Wieler & Co.
 SACHSEN, German steamer, 2,874, K. von Gossel, 31st Oct., Bremen 1st Oct., and Singapore 26th, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.
 SUNGKIANG, British steamer, 994, Glasson, 31st Oct., Whampoa 31st Oct., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
 Tannadice, British steamer, for Foochow, &c.
 Chintung, Chinese steamer, for Shanghai.
 Clara, German steamer, for Haiphong.

DEPARTURES.
 October 30, Mitte Maru, Japanese str., for Kutchinotru.
 October 31, Hailan, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
 October 31, Alouine, German str., for Holbow.
 October 31, Gluckburg, German str., for Amoy.
 October 31, Chyang, British str., for Shanghai.
 October 31, Tannadice, British steamer, for Foochow, &c.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.
 Per Sachsen, str., from Bremen, &c., for Hongkong.—Mr. and Mrs. Kammerer, Mr. Julius W. Petersen, Mrs. Emilie Petersen and infant, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. E. Slobo, Miss Lydia Borstein, Miss Hanna Genish, Miss Lydia Schaffter, Miss Elise Weiler, Messrs. D. H. Mackintosh, D. Fisk, T. Silberding, C. T. da Silva, Rob. Becker, Ingenieur L. Bianchi, M. von Brandt Kaiser, Coates, Ernest Ritter von Mann-Tiechler, Thomsen, Vögtling, and 261 Chinese (deck). For Shanghai.—Mrs. May, infant and servant, Mrs. Sörensen, Dr. Grunewald, Messrs. Emil Gerecke, Ferdinand Rinkel, Moritz Kalb, Erich Karbe, Otto Merzky, Otto Messing, G. T. Larkin, A. Elliot, Hermann Fiedler, R. Henle, J. Kohlhass, P. Röser, Ambrose Vichard, A. Volpert, M. Boyle, and Miss Gailieb. For Yokohama.—Mr. and Mrs. M. Pors, infant and servant, Mrs. Dinsdal, infants and servant, Mrs. Jessie Nachtigal and infant, Mrs. Rhode, infants and servant, Miss Auguste Dieckes, Messrs. R. Fachtmann, Z. Furusko, G. Madia, H. Otaka, and Lieut. von Seebach. For Nagasaki.—Mr. and Mrs. Sonoda, infants and servant.

Per Abyssinia, str., from Vancouver, &c.—Major and Mrs. St. Clair, Miss Paterson, Miss Chaffner, Colonel Burton Brown, Mr. Scacafosse, and 260 Chinese.
 Per Hainson, str., from Foochow, &c.—Mr. Uriarte (Spanish Consul-General), Captain and Mrs. Yenherd, Mr. and Mrs. Plumb and 2 children, Mrs. Cocker and 2 children, Miss Jewell, Mr. R. R. Westall, and 120 Chinese (deck).
 Per Johann, str., from Pakhoi, &c.—35 Chinese.
 Per Frejer, str., from Pakhoi, &c.—102 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
 Per Hailan, str., for Swatow, &c.—3 Europeans and 560 Chinese.
REPORTS.
 The German steamship Johann reports that the left Pakhoi and Holbow, on the 29th instant, had strong north-east monsoon.
 The British steamship Sarpind reports that the left Nagasaki on the 26th instant. Had fresh north-east gale with heavy sea from north of Turnabout.
 The German mail steamship Sachsen reports that the left Bremen on the 1st instant, and Singapore on the 26th. Had fine weather and smooth sea till the 28th, then strong north-east monsoon.
 The British steamship Abyssinia reports that the left Vancouver, and Yokohama on the 25th instant. Had fine weather to Kien Channel; thence stormy wet weather and high sea running throughout.
 The British steamship Hainson reports that the left Foochow on the 27th instant. Had light southerly winds to Amoy. Left Amoy on the 28th. Had light southerly winds to 1 a.m. of the 29th, wind shifted into the north-east with heavy squalls and rain to sunset. Left Swatow on the 30th. Had moderate north-east wind and overcast sky to port. In Foochow, the steamship Batavia. In Amoy, the steamships Fokien and Alouine Seyd. In Swatow, the steamships Fookang, Cheung Hye Teng, Mafsoo, and Kaitong.

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 For Swatow.—Per Nanshan, to-morrow, the 1st November, at 10.30 A.M.
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SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.
 AIRLIE, British steamer, 1,492, Winthrop Ellis, 30th Oct.—Melbourne 5th Oct., Newcastle 10th, and Sydney 10th, Townsville and Cairns 15th, Cooktown 16th, and Thursday Island 19th, Coals and General.—Russell & Co.
 ALWING, German steamer, 400, Bendixen, 30th October.—Holbow 29th October, General.—Wieler & Co.
 ARDAY, British steamer, 1,076, J. Thom, 28th Oct.—Touzon 24th October, Ballast.—28th Chater.
 BORMIDA, Italian steamer, 1,499, E. De Negri, 28th Oct.—Bombay 8th October, and Singapore 21st, General.—Carlowitz & Co.
 CHINTUNG, Chinese steamer, 835, Winsor, 29th Oct.—Whampoa 29th Oct., General.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 CICKRO, British steamer, 1,030, A. B. George, 29th Oct.—Saigon 24th Oct., Rice and General.—Order.
 CLARA, German steamer, 674, Christensen, 29th Oct.—Haiphong 27th October, General.—Simensen & Co.

GALIC, British steamer, 4,205, W. G. Pearce, 29th Oct.—San Francisco 3rd Oct., and Yokohama 24th, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.
 GENERAL WARDER, German steamer, 1,220, M. Eiche, 29th Oct.—Yokohama 11th Oct., Kobe 16th, and Nagasaki 21st, Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.

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 FALKENBURG, German steamer, 989, Bartels, 27th Oct.—Bangkok 20th Oct., Rice and Wood.—Melchers & Co.
 FAIR, British steamer, 117, A. Stopan.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 FORMOSA, British steamer, 674, T. Hall, 28th October.—Keelung, and Amoy 26th Oct., Coal.—D. Lapraik & Co.
 FUSHIKI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,119, P. J. C. French, 28th Oct.—Kutchinotru 26th October, Coal.—Mitsu Bussan Kaisha.
 HELEN RICKMERS, German steamer, 2,008, Hess, 15th Oct.—Bremen and Singapore, 4th Sept., Kerosene Oil.—Melchers & Co.
 INDEPENDENT, German steamer, 871, W. J. Schafer, 29th Oct.—Saigon 24th October, Rice and General.—Wieler & Co.
 KASHGAR, British steamer, 1,555, W. L. Brown, 30th Oct.—Yokohama 19th October, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 KIANG-PING, Chinese steamer, 360, Holmes, 21st Oct.—Canton 21st October, Ballast.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 KONG BENG, British steamer, 856, R. Jones, 30th Oct.—Bangkok 22nd Oct., General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

LOIRE INFERIEURE, French steamer, 531, Lehndes, 23rd Oct.—Hollo 17th October, Sapanwood.—A. R. Marty.
 NAMCHOW, British steamer, 1,109, C. A. Colonna, 30th Oct.—Singapore 22nd Oct., General.—Ban Mow.
 NAMA, British steamer, 863, T. G. Pocock, 25th Oct.—Foochow 22nd October, Amoy 23rd, and Swatow 24th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.
 NANSAN, British steamer 808, James Young, 28th Oct.—Singapore 9th October, and Bangkok 21st, Wood and Rice.—Hop Hing Hong.

PHU-QUOC, French steamer, 183, Yallin, 28th Sept.—Touzon 20th Sept., Coals.—Wing Tai & Co.
 PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopan.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
 WHAMPOA, British steamer, 1,100, L. Hughes, 29th Oct.—Wellington, N.Z., 20th Sept., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

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